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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Mail Step RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
No. 09/680,105 Oct. 4, 2000
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2. 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 – Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered
amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). a. [] Previously submitted If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 i. [] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
iii. [] Other
2. Miscellaneous a. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) b. [] Other
 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. i. [X] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) ii. [X] Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) iii. [] Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) for Limited Suspension of Action iv. [] Other
b. [X] Check No.: <u>3889</u> in the amount of \$ 1110.00 enclosed. c. [] Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 31,195 Name (Print/Type) James C

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Date March 21, 2006

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